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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of a utility or plant application filed on or after June 8,1995.

See the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application. NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. s 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 20000), which established RCE practice. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114. Previously submitted Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 i. (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered) Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on ΙÍ. iii. ☐ Other \boxtimes Enclosed b. Response to Final Office Action (7 pages) i. ii. M Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) with Form PTO-1449 (3 pages); 7 References iii. Other: Miscellaneous Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F. R. § 1.17(i) required) period of Other П h The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed. 3. Fees The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees of \$2,380.00, or credit any a. overpayments to Deposit Account No. <u>08-1641</u> (Docket No. <u>39749-0001 APC)</u> Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) (4 Months - \$1,590.00/Large Entity) ii. iii. ☐ Other Check in the amount of \$ h. Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed) SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) 33,055 Name (Print/Type) GINGER R. DREGER **JULY 17, 2007** Signature

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